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To whom it may concern,

I would like to attest to the benefits of Inclusion Teaming's program. Catherine Hogan of Inclusion Teaming and I share many of the same concerns about our children on the spectrum and the scarce adult resources and opportunities available to them. This is why I believe Catherine's program (Inclusion Teaming) is an important piece of the puzzle. Our kids need more practice with social communication building to prepare them for more meaningful futures. Catherine's program allows those with ASD to interact with open minded neurotypical peers. The peers work on strategies that will build effective communication and problem solving skills. This allows for an exchange of understanding to enrich future generations the way mainstreaming our kids in school has in the recent past. Funding this program would benefit so many ASD citizens who would otherwise not have access to such a valuable resource. Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,

Julia Farthing Parent Labor Law Paralegal